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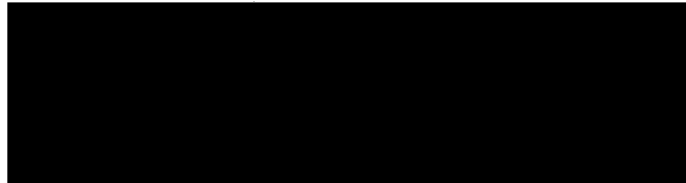
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SUBJECT: (Secret) Project OILSTONE

TO: USAF
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1. Pursuant to [REDACTED] USAF agreement of 2 August 1955, the Air Force undertook primary responsibility for (a) directing and supervising the training of operational units; (b) providing and coordinating Air Force support of the Project; (c) arranging for the deployment of operational units overseas for the initiation of actual operations; and (d) the determination that crews and equipment are operationally ready and in place at overseas bases.

2. The training of the first Detachment was carried out during January, February and March 1956, under direction of Commander-in-Chief, Strategic Air Command. Upon completion of the course of training, a Unit Simulated Combat Mission Test was conducted. The USAF evaluation of this Test indicates that Detachment A is operationally ready and can be deployed for active operation. Deployment plans and overseas support plans have been finalized.

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3. It is recommended that Detachment A be deployed to [REDACTED] during the period 29 April - 4 May 1956 in accordance with planned schedule.

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